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To Whom It May Concern:

I do not support the Velella Epsilon netpen aquaculture pilot project in the Gulf of Mexico. We learned about fish farms when our daughter was employed by one. Farmed fish are pumped with antibiotics and other chemicals which then flow into the water.

Our beautiful gulf is already fragile as Florida begins to attend to what flows into it now from our current land and water use habits. Allowing this pilot will further weaken our efforts to maintain a clean and healthy gulf, the life blood of Florida.

Fish farms are not the way to a cleaner, healthier future. Other solutions need to be investigated, but not this one.

My grandchildren and I thank you for listening to the science behind fish farming, its impacts on the water environments and our bodies when we ingest farmed fish.

Sincerely,

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